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Deflated. A test run ahead of the arrival of the world's largest rubber duck in Philly didn't go so well when organizers couldn't inflate a much smaller version. PAGE 02

Volunteers attempt to inflate a giant rubber duck on The Porch at 30th Street Station on Monday. / CHARLES MOSTOLLER, METRO

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Volunteers attempt to push into a car a giant rubber duck that was set up on The Porch at 30th Street Station on Monday. / CHARLES MOSTOLLER

Giant rubber duck with tiny inflating trouble

Inflategate. The star of the upcoming sailing festival is coming to Philly. We hope.

The folks who are bringing that 61-foot giant rubber duck to the Delaware River later this month held a photo op Monday to promote Tall Ships Philadelphia Camden, the sailing festival at which the world's largest rubber duck will appear.

The eye candy was a smaller duck, this one just 10 feet tall.

Problem was, the compressor they brought to inflate the duck was seriously underpowered — their regular inflator needed some work. They got it partially inflated. Even that took two hours.

For perspective, it takes about four hours to inflate the large one.

No doubt everyone has a bad day. There's proof of good days too: The smaller duck, and the giant one, have made appearances in Los Angeles. We've seen pictures, they are pretty cool.

Waiting for the duck to be inflated gave us the opportunity to interview Craig Samborski, who staged concerts for the likes of Metallica and Jewel before moving on to produce maritime festivals

(which, you know, when you learn that that's a job, you realize anything is possible).

"I never planned on owning the world's largest rubber duck," Samborski says.

But he does. And yeah, Samborski things happen in his line of work.

Sailboats are at the mercy of the elements, and there's always the possibility that a ship won't make it to the festival.

In 2013 a boat on its way to a festival in Duluth, Minnesota, was struck by lightning.

Everyone was OK, Samborski says.

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"He did it all on public transportation, which, if you know anything about public transit in that city ..."

Craig Samborski, on a duck just looking for his mama

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Corruption. Pol accused of taking a $2,000 gift for political favor

Pennsylvania State Rep. Michelle Brownlee (D-Philadelphia) became the latest politician to plead guilty to conflict of interest charges on Monday after a controversial sting that ensnared several pols.

Brownlee pleaded guilty Monday in a Dauphin County Court outside Harrisburg.

Brownlee was caught on tape accepting a $2,000 gift from an undercover operative in return for a promised political favor.

She did not deny accepting the bribe when questioned before a grand jury, said District Attorney Seth Williams in March when he announced charges against her.

Brownlee was previously outed as an alleged recipient of an illegal gift when The Philadelphia Inquirer revealed in March 2014 that Attorney General Kathleen Kane had shut down an undercover sting into political corruption without pressing charges.

SAM NEWHOUSE

South Philly

Suspect charged in rape

Police have charged a suspect with raping his victim inside her home.

The man wanted in connection with two South Philly home invasion rapes — crimes which were linked because the suspect in both wore distinct red gloves — has officially been charged for those crimes, police said.

Raheem Felder, 32, was apprehended on June 4 after tipsters identified him to police from surveillance video footage taken near the scenes of the crimes.

Felder now faces charges of aggravated assault, rape, sexual assault, burglary, robbery, unlawful restraint, indecent exposure, simple assault, recklessly endangering another person and false imprisonment, police announced, related to an incident last month. METRO

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How to create a hippie fortress

Ecology. The world's first urban Earthship is being built in West Philly.

Rashida Ali-Campbell, executive director of Love Loving Love, cleans up at the site of the Earthship in West Philadelphia. / CHARLES MOSTOLLER

The idea to create the world's first urban Earthship came to Rashida Ali-Campbell while she was sitting in a living room flipping through channels.

It was 2007, and Ali-Campbell found herself inspired after viewing the documentary "Garbage Warrior."

The documentary chronicled the work of the sustainable New Mexico-based architect Michael Reynolds and his crusade to expand Earthships —passive solar houses created of both organic and recycled materials, such as earth-filled tires — for natural disaster-relief and lower-income communities.

The Earthship on 41st will serve as office space for the local nonprofit Love Loving Love and Earthship Biotecture and as a demonstration space. Organizers estimate the Earthship will be finished and open to the public by the end of the summer.

Several years of local bureaucracy prevented them from being able to acquire the means and access to purchase vacant land in the city to turn into an Earthship.

But Ali-Campbell capitalized on the political relationships she developed in the city to help raise awareness on the new project she was starting up.

"Councilman Kenyatta Johnson and Councilwoman Janie Blackwell were very supportive in helping to inform other members at City Hall what an Earthship actually is … without them and Mayor Nutter's backing of the project — it would not have gained traction," Ali-Campbell said.

Policy-wise, it took the passing of Councilwoman Maria Quiñones Sánchez's Land Bank Bill last year, pushed by the help of Ali-Campbell's involvement with the Take Back Vacant Land Coalition, that things finally "looked promising."

"The passing of that bill granted us the opportunity to vie for vacant land at the same level as corporations," Ali-Campbell said.

Shortly after, a guest radio appearance caught the interest of West Philadelphia resident Thomas L. Miller, who last August donated a 4,500-square-foot piece of land located at 675 North 41st Street to the project.

It was at this moment that her years of phone conversations with Jonah Reynolds would forge a more in-depth partnership. He packed up his bags, left New Mexico, and moved to Philadelphia full time to work on producing "the world's first urban Earthship."

"There is an Earthship in every state, and my father and I have done this kind of work on six continents … but there's never been one done before in an urban area until now," says Reynolds.

And to those who call Ali-Campbell and Reynolds crazy or the Earthship a "post-apocalyptic hippie fortress," they argue that their motives are far more practical than that.

"The work we are doing is helping to include members in this community that are living in food deserts, under extreme low-employment, and unused vacant lots. … Our work is creating a very human society that is breaking down the class warfare in our world," Reynolds says.

Quoted

"Earthships don't require utility bills because they are completely self-generated by the environment and recycled materials."
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Doylestown, PA – Fred Beans, CEO and founder of the Fred Beans Automotive Group located in Doylestown, PA, has announced a **ONE DAY SALE** on Saturday, June 13th at 9:00AM, where pre-owned vehicles will be sold for as low as **$999.*** This sale is being held due to overwhelming public demand.

Cars will be clearly marked, so come early for the best selection. This is a **ONE DAY ONLY** sale designed to get the local community driving again.

Fred Beans' pre-owned inventory levels need to be reduced to make room for shipments of new models arriving daily. As a result, **all 8 Fred Beans Doylestown locations are selling these overstocked pre-owned vehicles to the public at drastic discounts in an attempt to clear excess inventory**.

In addition to this huge variety of pre-owned vehicles, the Fred Beans Family of Dealerships in Doylestown features new Ford, Lincoln, Mitsubishi, Dodge, Chrysler, Jeep, Hyundai, Nissan, Subaru, Chevrolet, Cadillac, Buick, and GMC vehicles.

Fred Beans believes reviving the economy starts at home, and changing things locally will lead to changing things nationally.

In addition to the Fred Beans Family of Dealerships' extra inventory, additional vehicles have been acquired for this sale at incredible prices from various banks, repossession companies, auto auctions, credit unions, lease companies, and rental companies.

The sale will make pre-owned vehicles available for as low as **$999**,* prices not normally offered to the general public. According to Fred Beans, ***"We want to give our customers a reason to believe in the local economy again. Someone has to look out for their best interest."***

Customers are encouraged to arrive and register by 8:15AM to inspect the entire inventory and find the car that's right for them. Every vehicle will be cleaned, detailed, and fully prepared for instant delivery. On the evening of June 12th, after the close of business, Mr. Beans and his team will mark the special sale price on each and every vehicle.

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Officer suspended after throwing girl to the ground, pointing gun

Policing. The video of the incident has gone viral on social media sites.

A Dallas-area policeman has been placed on administrative leave after a video surfaced on social media that showed him throwing a bathing-suit-clad girl to the ground and drawing a gun on another at a pool party disturbance, officials said on Sunday.

"This video has raised concerns that are being investigated," the police department in McKinney, a city about 30 miles north of Dallas, said on Sunday.

The incident occurred on Friday and raised questions on social media about racial bias in policing since most of the people targeted by the officer, who appears in the video to be white, were black teens in a multi-race crowd.

Eric Casebolt
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In the video, the officer, Eric Casebolt, is seen shouting obscenities at the teens and placing a black youth in handcuffs.

Another officer, who also appears to be white, is seen engaging with some of the teens in a cordial manner.

"Having seen the YouTube video, I am disturbed and concerned by the incident and actions depicted in the video," McKinney Mayor Brian Loughmiller said in a written statement.

"Our expectation as a city council is that our police department and other departments will act professionally and with appropriate restraint relative to the situation they are faced with," he said.

McKinney Police said officers were responding to a disturbance reported at a pool that is part of a residential community and many in the crowd refused to leave. REUTERS

A series of screen shots from a video of the incident. / YOUTUBE

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Pentagon

US base shipped live anthrax to 19 states plus DC

The number of labs that received live anthrax samples from a U.S. military base in Utah has risen to 66 in 19 states, Washington and three foreign countries.

Army Colonel Steve Warren, a Defense Department spokesman, said 31 people were receiving precautionary treatment for exposure to live anthrax, unchanged since the Pentagon's last update on the incident.

Warren said one new state, Pennsylvania, had been added to the list of locations where live anthrax had been sent. In addition to the U.S. states and Washington, the pathogen was sent to South Korea, Canada and Australia.

Investigators are trying to ascertain whether the inadvertent shipments of the anthrax, which can be used as a biological weapon, stemmed from quality control problems at the base, the Dugway Proving Ground, Pentagon officials said.

No one at the labs has been infected and there is no known risk to the public, officials said.

A number of military facilities for the past decade have shipped what were supposed to be inactivated, or killed, anthrax samples to outside labs to develop countermeasures to biological weapons. The one in Utah is the only one known to have sent samples that proved to have live bacterial spores. REUTERS

EXTENDED -NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD
PHILADELPHIA HOUSING AUTHORITY

The Philadelphia Housing Authority (PHA) is a participant in the Moving to Work Demonstration Program (MTW) pursuant to an Amended and Restated Moving to Work Agreement (MTW Agreement) with the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The MTW Agreement defines the terms and conditions under which PHA is a participant in the MTW Program and requires PHA to submit an MTW Annual Plan for HUD review and approval. PHA's MTW Annual Plan for Fiscal Year 2016 was originally submitted to HUD in January 2015, and is currently awaiting HUD approval.

PHA is seeking public review and comments on a proposed amendment to the FY 2016 MTW Annual Plan concerning PHA's plans to convert 57 public housing units to project-based assistance under the Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD) program. The PHA Board of Commissioners approved PHA's application to HUD for conversion of 3,433 public housing units under the RAD program in December 2013. Subsequently, in March 2015, HUD approved PHA's application through the issuance of award letters which serve as Commitments to Enter into Housing Assistance Payments Contracts (CHAPs).

The proposed amendment provides additional information as required by HUD concerning PHA's RAD conversion plans. The proposed amendment is incorporated in its entirety into the FY 2016 MTW Annual Plan through an attachment entitled "Rental Assistance Demonstration Significant Amendment". It is available for public review and downloading on PHA's website at www.pha.phila.gov under the "Latest News" section or may be picked up at:

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PHA will conduct a Public Hearing on the proposed amendment. PHA residents, Housing Choice Voucher participants and the general public are invited to attend and provide comments at the Hearing and/or to submit written comments during the public comment period. The Public Hearing is scheduled for the following time and location: **Thursday, June 11, 2015, at 1:00pm at 12 South 23rd Street - 6th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103.**

The public comment period began on May 5, 2015 at 12 noon and ends on Monday, June 15, 2015 at noon. All comments must be received at PHA's office by the end of the comment period. Please send written comments to: **Philadelphia Housing Authority / Office of Policy, Research and Enterprise Planning Attention: MTW Plan Amendment Comment / 12 South 23rd Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103.**

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Boston Police Commissioner William Evans joined with the district attorney's office on Monday to make public the surveillance video of the shooting of FBI terror suspect Usaamah Rahim in Roslindale, Massachusetts, last week. / NICOLAUS CZARNECKI, METRO

FBI. Video of Boston 'terror suspect' released to public

A grainy video with raindrops on the lens shows the fatal standoff between law enforcement and Usaama Rahim, the man who brought a knife to a gunfight one week ago at a Roslindale bus stop.

On Monday, Suffolk County District Attorney Dan Conley, Boston Police Commissioner Bill Evans and FBI Agent Vincent Lisi showed the surveillance footage captured from a Burger King some 50 yards away from the shooting.

In the video, one Boston police detective and five FBI agents, dressed in plain clothes and with their weapons not yet drawn, converge on Rahim as he stood at a bus stop. The law enforcement officials are seen backing away from Rahim.

It is here that authorities say Rahim was instructed to put down a knife he was wielding. A police cruiser is seen turning on his lights on Washington Street. The BPD detective and an FBI agent opened fire, fatally striking Rahim in the shoulder, upper chest and torso. A school bus drives past the scene as the bullets fly. Conley said that the officer used discretion, knowing there was a bus in the backdrop before firing.

"This video is simply one piece of evidence among many, and the investigation is still very active," Conley said. "I haven't made any findings yet or come to any legal conclusions. This is an exacting process and it requires a careful analysis of all the evidence in light of state and federal case law. A great deal of work still needs to be done, and this process is too important to rush."

Rahim, 26, is said to have adopted radical Islamic beliefs and sought to behead a member of "the boys in blue" with a Marine Bowie knife. He was under 24/7 surveillance from a joint terrorism task force.

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New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo is shown the manhole where two men escaped from the Clinton Correctional Facility / GOVERNOR'S OFFICE

Woman who worked at NY prison is questioned

On the loose. It was the first successful escape in the prison's 150-year history.

Authorities were questioning a woman who worked at an upstate New York prison where two convicted killers escaped over the weekend as a manhunt entered its third day, police said on Monday.

Schools in the rural community surrounding Clinton Correctional Facility in Dannemora, about 20 miles south of the Canadian border, implemented high security as convicted murderers Richard Matt, 48, and David Sweat, 34, remained on the loose.

To make their escape, the men cut through the steel walls at the back of their adjoining cells and escaped through a steam pipe. They left behind a note reading "have a nice day."

A woman who worked in the maximum security prison, where construction was underway, was being questioned by police as a possible accomplice, New York State Police said, confirming a report in the New York Post which cited unidentified sources.

Earlier on Monday, Governor Andrew Cuomo said investigators were questioning a civilian staff member or contractor who may have helped in the escape, presumably the woman mentioned by police.

Cuomo warned that the pair could have traveled a great distance since escaping: "They could be literally anywhere in the country now. These are really dangerous individuals." REUTERS

Quoted

"We're looking at the civilian employees now and the private contractors to see if possibly if a civil employee or contractor was assisting the escape because they wouldn't have equipment on their own, that's for sure." Cuomo told CNN

Wichita

Man pleads guilty to plotting suicide bomb attack on Kansas airport

A man accused of plotting a suicide bomb attack at a Wichita, Kansas, airport in 2013 pleaded guilty in U.S. District Court to a charge of attempted use of a weapon of mass destruction.

Terry Loewen, 59, was arrested trying to enter the tarmac at the airport with what he believed was a vehicle loaded with explosives, with a plan to trigger the device next to a terminal and die in the blast, according to a criminal complaint.

A plea agreement calls for Loewen to be sentenced to 20 years in prison followed by lifetime supervision. U.S. District Judge Monti Belot set sentencing for Aug. 31.

"Terry Loewen utilized his privileged airport access to attempt a terrorist attack in Wichita," Assistant Attorney General John Carlin said in a news release. "Detecting, disrupting and holding accountable those who wish to harm Americans remains our highest priority."

Loewen was indicted in December 2013 on three charges and told the court on Friday he planned to change his plea from not guilty.

Charges of attempted use of an explosive and attempting to provide material support to a designated foreign terrorist organization were dropped under the agreement. REUTERS

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Five things you need to know

1 SC ex-police officer indicted in death of black man

A grand jury on Monday indicted a white former police officer on a murder charge for the shooting death of a black man in North Charleston, South Carolina, the prosecutor overseeing the case said.

Michael Slager, 33, was fired from his patrolman job after being charged with murder in the April 4 death of Walter Scott, 50, who was fatally shot in the back as he ran from Slager following a traffic stop.

Video of the shooting captured by a bystander on his cellphone was widely distributed, and the death reignited a public outcry over police treatment of African-Americans that flared last year after killings of unarmed black men in Ferguson, Missouri, New York City and elsewhere.

The video evidence alone does not guarantee a conviction, said Scarlett Wilson, solicitor for the Ninth Judicial Circuit. Witness testimony also will be important, she said.

If convicted of murder, Slager would face between 30 years and life in prison without the possibility of parole. No trial date has been set, Wilson said. REUTERS

MICHAEL SLAGER / GETTY IMAGES

2 Obama says US needs to aggressively bolster hacker defenses

Responding to a recent cyber attack on U.S. government computers, President Barack Obama said on Monday the United States has old computer systems with "significant vulnerabilities" to cyber attacks and needs to be "much more aggressive" in stepping up defenses against hackers.

"This problem is not going to go away. It is going to accelerate. And that means that we have to be as nimble, as aggressive and as well resourced as those who are trying to break into these systems," Obama said at a news conference at the G7 summit in Germany. REUTERS

3 Protesters gather outside LA mayor's house

About a dozen demonstrators gathered outside the home of the Los Angeles mayor on Monday to protest against an apparent preliminary decision to clear two police officers in the shooting death last year of an unarmed black man.

The demonstrators said they planned to remain in front of the house until a Police Commission meeting on Tuesday, highlighting continued anger over the shooting death of 25-year-old Ezell Ford on Aug. 11, 2014. REUTERS

4 Florida doctor tied to Senator Menendez corruption case to have bail set

A Florida doctor accused of giving lavish gifts to U.S. Senator Robert Menendez in a corruption case was due back in federal court Monday to have bail set on separate Medicare fraud charges.

Salomon Melgen faces 76 counts of Medicare fraud and falsifying medical records and has remained in jail since his indictment in April. He has pleaded not guilty.

District Judge Kenneth Marra ruled on Friday that Melgen could be granted bail as long as a series of strict conditions were met, including home detention, electronic monitoring and no access to boats or planes. REUTERS

5 Worst US bird flu outbreak in history expands to Michigan

Michigan on Monday said Canadian geese in the state tested positive for a lethal strain of bird flu, bringing the worst outbreak of the disease in U.S. history to a 21st state.

Three young geese collected in Sterling Heights, Michigan, about 20 miles north of Detroit, were infected with the highly pathogenic H5N2 flu strain, according to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. The state is now focusing on preventing the spread of the disease to poultry, Director Keith Creagh said. REUTERS

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Top 3 reasons the 'Entourage' movie lost to Melissa McCarthy

Bros are a dying breed

The boys of "Entourage" may be exactly the types who run Hollywood, but on the screens of the films they green light they're thin on the ground. The show and the new movie are just about the only entertainments that offer characters this wealthy, this successful, this privileged, this white and this douchey, all of them living in a bubble where their every want is an Ari Gold shoutfest away and where the women are either easy obtained objects with fake boobs or just crazy.

People know women are funny now

This isn't the age when it was a surprise that women could tell jokes at all. "Spy" is only the latest reminder that McCarthy is a box office god, and ditto that she's not only funny herself but free of ego.

Whereas someone like Mike Myers is the only one allowed to be funny in a Mike Myers movie, McCarthy allows a "solo" movie like "Spy" to be a showcase for her talents as well as those of Rose Byrne and British comedian Miranda Hart, both of whom arguably upstage the main star.

Wealth porn isn't what it once was

"Entourage" has often been described as a male "Sex and the City," and that's not wrong. Like that series, "Entourage" has seen its characters become not just more successful but unimaginably wealthy, at which point all they think to do is show off their toys. Since 2004, there's been a growing awareness of chasmic income inequality. That makes simply gawking at the lives of the rich and famous less a transportive experience, as it was with movies in the Depression, than an unpleasant stewing in the lives of the out of touch. **MATT PRIGGE**

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Researchers. Children learn to write by teaching robots to write

The system makes the robot play the role of the peer who is the worst student in the class. / YOUTUBE

Researchers in Switzerland have designed a system where children teach robot students how to write, and in the process, improve their own handwriting skills. This learning by teaching paradigm, they say, could engage unmotivated students as well as boost their self-confidence.

The prototype system, called CoWriter, was developed by researchers at the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology (EPFL) in Lausanne. A humanoid robot, designed to be likeable and interact with humans, is presented with a word that the child spells out in plastic letters. The robot recognizes the word and tries to write it, with its attempt appearing on a tablet. The child then identifies and corrects the robot's errors by rewriting the word or specific letters.

Severin Lemaignan, one of the authors of the study, said the research was based on a recognized principle in pedagogy known as "the protege effect."

"The robot is facing difficulties to write. So the child, as a teacher, tends to commit itself to help the robot. And this is what we call in psychology 'the protege effect.' [The child] will try to protect this robot and help him to progress. And it's a pretty well-known fact that if the robot fails and keeps on failing and not improving its handwriting, the child will feel responsible for that."

Studies have shown that when children experience difficulties in writing, they can lose confidence or eventually withdraw from the learning process. This can have a knock-on effect for their entire education. But a program like CoWriter, where students put themselves in the place of the teacher and pass on what they know to their peers, can help them regain self-esteem and motivation. **REUTERS**

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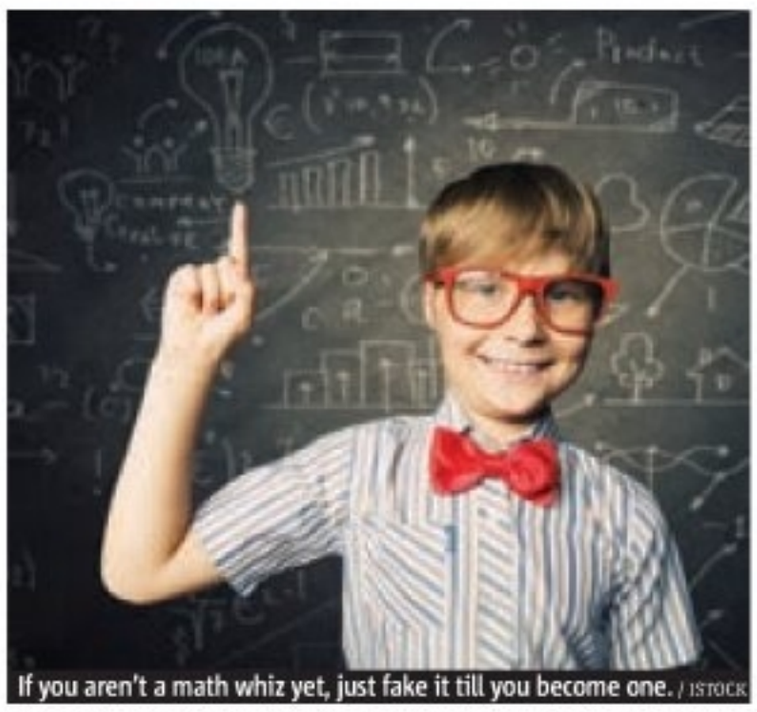
TED Talk. Live life like a marathon, and other stellar tips

Unless you've been living under a rock, chances are you've heard about TED Talks. These inspirational 18-minute lectures — given by an array of what you would call "thought leaders" — cover a broad range of topics, from bullying to Buddhism. And they often offer valuable life lessons, particularly for students. Here are some of our favorites.



If you aren't a math whiz yet, just fake it till you become one. / ISTOCK

Live life like a marathon, not a sprint

Curious about achievement difference among her students, Angela Lee Duckworth left teaching to study psychology, conducting research on what made students successful. She discovered that success is not about intelligence but grit. "Grit," Duckworth states, "is passion and perseverance for very long-term goals. … Grit is living life like it's a marathon, not a sprint."

Know your biases

Mechanical engineer and social advocate Yassmin Abdel-Magied asks her audience: "What does my headscarf mean to you?" In a talk about unconscious bias and the lack of diversity in the workplace, Abdel-Magied stresses the importance of pushing past our initial perceptions. Students should follow Abdel-Magied's three steps to looking beyond bias: identify it, acknowledge it and mitigate it. She says, "If you want to create a world where the circumstances of your birth don't matter, we all have to be part of the solution."

Pay it forward

A thank you can change a life

Jarrett J. Krosoczka was writing children's books when, after a visit to his old school, he was inspired to write a series about cafeteria employees in which he depicts them as heroes despite them being underappreciated or unnoticed. The "Lunch Lady" series sparked an appreciation day in many schools called School Lunch Hero Day, where students make creative projects for their lunch staff. Krosoczka says, "I hope you remember how powerful a thank you can be. A thank you can change a life. It changes the life of the person who receives it, and it changes the life of the person who expresses it."

Fake it till you become it

Social psychologist Amy Cuddy has researched body language and how it shapes people's perceptions as well as body chemistry. In Cuddy's talk, students can learn how "power posing" can make one more confident in a presentation, job interview and other everyday interactions. At first, power posing can seem unnatural. But Cuddy gives this advice for getting over any discomfort: "Don't fake it till you make it. Fake it till you become it. Do it enough until you actually become it and internalize [it]. … Tiny tweaks can lead to big changes."

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1 Awesome teen Lourdes Leon snubs Kylie Jenner

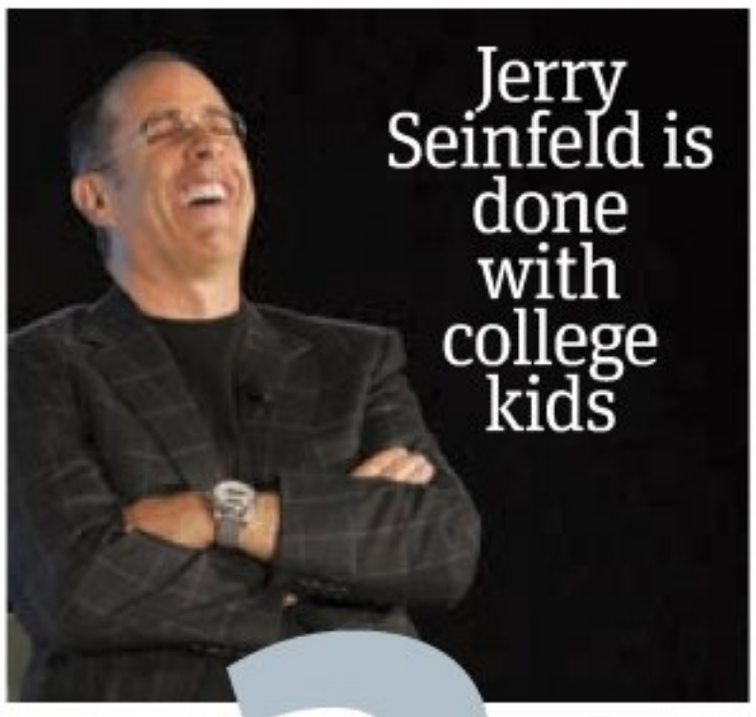
Lourdes refuses to stoop down to Kylie's level. / ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

Lourdes Leon appears to have inherited a good deal from mom Madonna. Case in point: She apparently has both impeccable taste and no time for mincing words. Word is that 17-year-old Kylie Jenner recently reached out to the 18-year-old Leon to suggest that they totally, like, hang, but Leon was all, whatever. "Lourdes was horrified. She thinks Kylie and her sisters are vile and has made a big effort to avoid being in the same room as any of them," a source says, according to Star magazine. "She couldn't believe Kylie thought she'd be receptive to a party invite and has completely ignored her. As far as Lourdes is concerned, she's not going to lower herself to even responding." Not to worry, young lady, the tabloids are happy to do it for you.

See? She's fine.

2 Dina Lohan says Lindsay is doing great

Lindsay Lohan has finally — finally! — completed her eight long years of probation, and she's already been spotted celebrating that milestone with a nice glass of red wine in Venice, Italy. But if you're concerned about the "Mean Girls" star's notoriously tricky relationship with alcohol leading her down yet another dark path, don't be. No less a reliable source than her own mom, Dina Lohan, assures Radar Online — and the world at large — that Lindsay is super, thanks for asking. "She's happier than ever," Dina exclaims, adding that yet another attempted comeback for her daughter could be right around the corner as Lindsay is "getting movie offers left and right." And why would her own mother exaggerate?



3 Jerry Seinfeld is done with college kids

What is the deal with Jerry Seinfeld not playing college campuses during his stand-up comedy tours? Well, the deal, as it so happens, is that politically correct culture has become too rampant for him to have any fun, so he's taking his observational humor ball and going home. "They just want to use these words," Seinfeld tells ESPN. "'That's racist, that's sexist, that's prejudiced.' They don't even know what they're talking about." And obviously the best way to make sure that these folks — full-time students, mind you — actually learn anything about what you think they've got wrong is to just avoid them altogether. Naturally.

Daily video

Baby sloths on a jungle gym

Here it is, your moment of Zen: Enjoy the inherent adorableness that is baby sloths climbing around a jungle gym at the Sloth Sanctuary (yes, that's a real place) in Costa Rica. This just serves as further proof that Kristen Bell always knows what she's talking about. Now, if some industrious editor out there wanted to mash up this with that Shia LaBeouf clip, we might just win the Internet.

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Liv and Clive get closer to solving the big Max Rager mystery. / DIYAH PERA, THE CW

DRAMA

'iZombie'

The zombie drama wraps up its first season with Liv trying to figure out the connection between the energy drink Max Rager and the slight zombie issue the town is suffering from. **SEASON FINALE, 9 P.M., CW**

REALITY

'Chopped'

It's a very educational episode of "Chopped" as the four contestants have to make their dishes using such thrilling leftovers as rice. What about making dinner out of the random canned goods you have left in your cabinet? **10 P.M., FOOD NETWORK**

COMEDY

'Younger'

Is Liza finally going to get caught in her web of lies about her age? We're wondering if she'll accidentally show too much knowledge of the '80s. **SEASON FINALE, 10 P.M., TV LAND**

TALK SHOWS

'Jimmy Kimmel Live!'

The latest game of the NBA Finals is wreaking havoc on Jimmy's schedule, so he'll be on earlier in the evening, with special guest Amy Poehler talking about "Inside Out," the new Pixar movie. **8 P.M., ABC**

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Dermot Mulroney

Q&A. The actor's son was more excited he was in "Insidious" than when he worked with Meryl Streep.

GETTY IMAGES

Dermot Mulroney gets around, doing rom-coms ("My Best Friend's Wedding"), dramas ("August: Osage County") and indies ("Living in Oblivion"). With "Insidious: Chapter 3," he adds horror to his repertoire. In this threequel/prequel, Mulroney plays the dad of a teen (Stefanie Scott) haunted by a demon, trying to save her with the help of the franchise's token psychic, Elise (Lin Shaye).

You said that the previous movies terrified you. Are you difficult to frighten?
I was sure that I would have to invent how to be scared in this movie. I thought I would have to really act and work really hard. But when I got on the set, it was dark and quiet, and there was creepy music. The director created an environment that caused me to feel actually really scared. So it was much easier than I thought.

Did you have any nightmares after filming?
I didn't stay scared after I left work. But one of the first days on the set, I came to work and saw the man who plays the bad

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Dermot Mulroney confers with director Leigh Whannell while shooting the third "Insidious." / MATT KENNEDY

guy. He had very elaborate wardrobe and makeup. And in fact, the demon he played represents illness and death. But I didn't expect to see him, so when I turned around and saw the man in the special effects makeup was just standing in the dark corner of the set and doing nothing, it was very frightening. And even as I tell you this, I kind of get goose bumps on my arm.

Do you watch horror movies?
I do watch them. I have a teenage son, so I have seen some of the movies recently — "Paranormal Activity," "The Purge" and "Evil Dead." And I have to take my son to them, so he can get into the movie. [Laughs] I was excited to try one for myself because I have only been in a few other movies that might be considered horrors. I love "Stoker" very much, but it's more like a murder movie.

Was your son excited to know that you were starring in "Insidious"?
Yeah. You know, when I told him that I was about to work with Meryl Streep on "August: Osage County," he was not very excited. When I told him I was doing "Insidious," he freaked out. He couldn't believe it. He instantly took out his cell phone and texted all of his friends, "My father gonna be in 'Insidious: Chapter 3.'" Horror fans are a very fun group of people.

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One more thing

Being with Julia

You are famous for "My Best Friend's Wedding." Why do you think your character chose Cameron Diaz and not Julia Roberts?
I can't say why. It's a reason why this film became a classic, and why it's stayed relevant all these years later. Some movies I've done get kind of old and dated but this one still plays the same way. And I think the reason why it's so good is because the girl doesn't get the guy. It drives people crazy. I think that is why this movie remains so popular.

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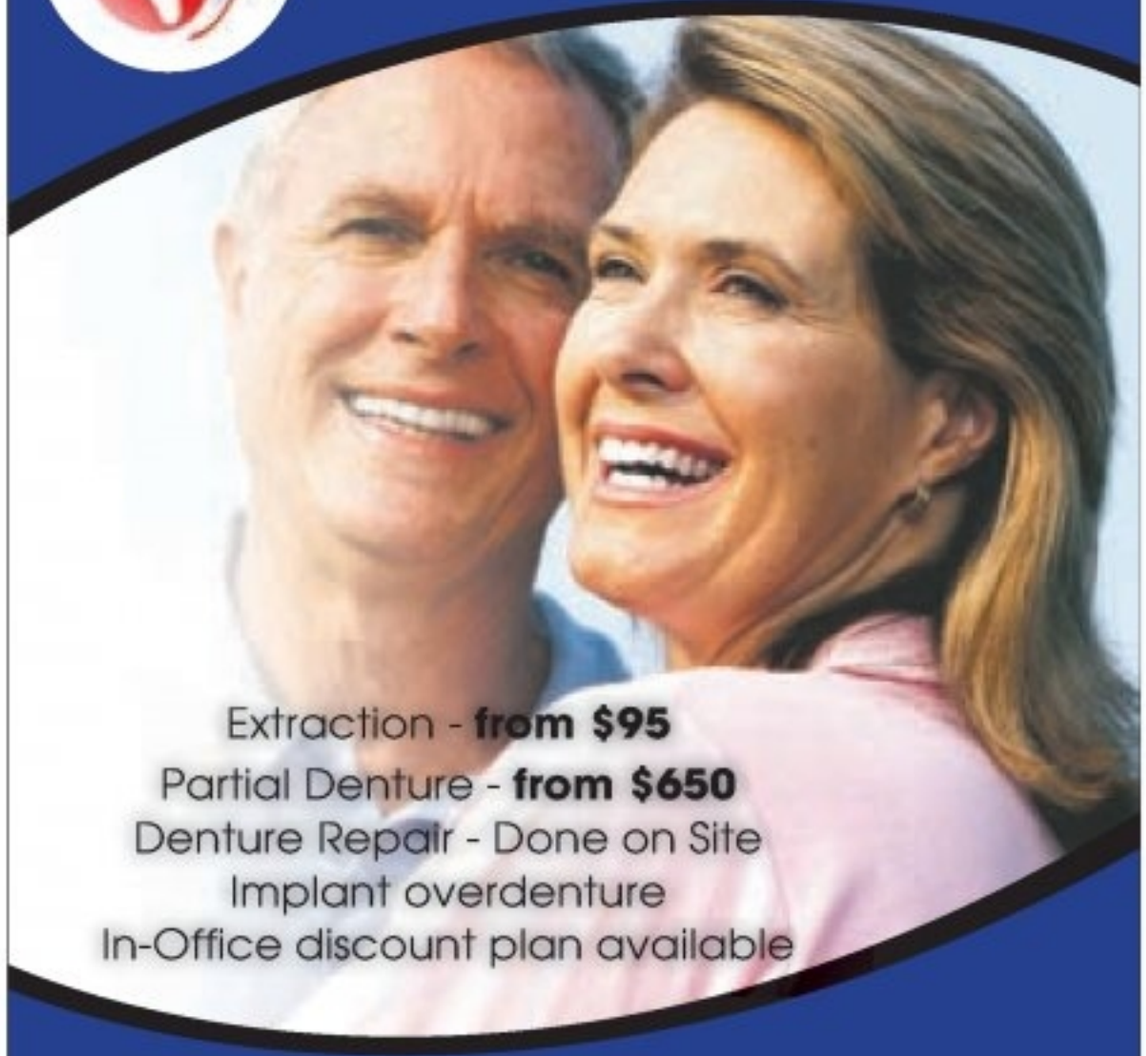

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"The Dance of Dragons" delivered dramatic fireworks worthy of the show's reputation for barn-burning penultimate episodes.

Episode MVPs

People watch "Game of Thrones" for a lot of reasons — the complicated political plots, the well-developed characters, the shocking deaths — but this past Sunday's episode succeeded for a pretty simple reason: Daenerys Targaryen rode a dragon. Fans were there when her dragons were born, and they've waited patiently as they grew over the past few seasons. "The Dance of Dragons" paid off several years' worth of growing pains, and proved that the show can satisfy on the basis of spectacle alone. Not that spectacle was the only thing the episode had going for it. In a season that's been called out for a number of disturbing scenes, "The Dance of Dragons" featured one of the most unsettling sequences to ever appear on the show. Stannis Baratheon, his army paralyzed by a heavy snowfall, heeded the advice of his longtime counselor Melisandre and sacrificed his daughter Shireen to the Red God, hoping it would clear a path to victory. Putting children in danger is always a risky move, and by killing Shireen, "Game of Thrones" proved again it's willing to commit to risky ideas. When viewers thought they'd seen everything, the show found a new way to shock them.

Our watch for next week begins

This week, Jon Snow returned to the Wall with several thousand wildlings. His fellow Night's Watchmen were not pleased, so look for that conflict to boil over next week. Meanwhile, Arya skipped out on her assassination assignment to confront an old enemy. She'll likely face some consequences.

Location shooting

The show will return to Spain to film Season 6

This year, "Game of Thrones" used the Royal Alcazar of Seville to stand in for the Water Gardens of Dorne, one of Season 5's most striking new locations. For Season 6, the show will film in the Spanish cities of Girona and Peniscola. Although it's unconfirmed, rumor has it that these cities may double for Oldtown and Casterly Rock, two Westerosi locales we've heard about but have yet to visit in the world of the TV show.

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MAKE HEALTHY YOUR NEW HAPPY

We asked a plastic surgeon how to boost the junk in our trunk — safely.

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We all do strange things in the name of beauty, but there are lines that shouldn't be crossed. The latest tragedy came last week, when 34-year-old Kelly Mayhew died after getting silicone injections to enlarge her butt in a New York City basement.

Butt augmentation is one of the fastest-growing aesthetic procedures, increasing 86 percent from 2013 to 2014, according to the American Society for Aesthetic Plastic Surgery. The trend overlaps with the rising popularity of ample-bootied stars like Kim Kardashian and Nicki Minaj, driving many young women, mostly in their 20s, to seek out some enhancements of their own.

What went wrong in Mayhew's case was the use of free-floating silicone, according to Dr. Tracy Pfeifer, a member of the American Society for Aesthetic Plastic Surgery and a certified plastic surgeon. "We never inject silicone, ever," she says.

The practice of injecting free silicone to enhance a body part has been around since the 1940s and '50s, according to Pfeifer. However, "it is not anything doctors would do" and can lead to deformity and worse. "Sometimes, it is used on something like an acne scar, but it's only a small drop," she explains.

When done correctly, butt enhancement "is a straightforward procedure," says Pfeifer. The two most common methods are fat redistribution, in which fat is taken from elsewhere in the body and added to enhance the size and shape of the butt, or implants, as done in breast enhancements, inserted through a small incision.

For recovery time, whichever method you choose you're looking at a lot of soreness and up to two weeks of no downtime: "You can sleep on your side, and you're not going to sit on your bottom for a week or two," Pfeifer says.

Expect to pay between $4,000 and $8,000 for a professional butt enhancement. Financing is available — aesthetic surgeons use a service called CareCredit. "If the price is too good to be true, it's too good to be true," Pfeifer cautions. "What is your life worth?"

How to know your doctor is legit

Even in the proper setting and in the right hands, the procedure is not without risks. "People should understand that even as a plastic surgeon injecting fat into the buttocks, we have to be very careful," Pfeifer says. "Nothing is foolproof."

Controlling for risk factors is about more than having careful knowledge of anatomy, a sterile operating room and experience with the tools and materials used in the procedure. If something goes wrong, such as a blood clot, "it's immediate, and you have to know how to save that person's life."

Each state has an online database of licensed plastic and cosmetic surgeons; specifically, seek out a doctor certified by the American Board of Plastic Surgery. "Also, look to see what professional societies the doctor belongs to," Pfeifer advises. "If a doctor is certified with American Society for Aesthetic Plastic Surgery, the doctor is board-certified."

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Getting sick at a festival is so not rock 'n' roll. ISTOCK

We don't want to sound like your mom, but your most boho-chic outfit is not the only thing you should be bringing to all-day outdoor fests. Dehydration, sunburns and — ahem — STIs are just a few of the risks that come with festival season. We asked two event veterans, Melvin Benn of the U.K.'s Latitude Festival and Olivier Ploix of Rock en Seine in France, how to party without the pain.

Basic hygiene is more important than ever

Some festivals have showers, but most don't. "Remember, there is more chance of catching an infection in a field than at home, so make sure you use the water points and hand-sanitizer stations at the toilet blocks to wash your hands regularly," says Benn.

The weather can't be scheduled

For Ploix, preparation is key: "We never ever have the same weather for all three days of the festival. Check the weather forecast for the duration of your stay so you can pack accordingly."

Safety over style

Many festivals take place on uneven parkland with stone paths, and a good downpour can turn it all into a mud pit. "Strong shoes for walking are a good idea — as is a [flashlight] after dark," Benn advises. "Don't rely on your phone as it's unlikely you will have any battery left after a few hours at the festival," Ploix adds.

To avoid bug bites, especially when insects swarm at dusk, bring a cover-up and repellent with you. And don't forget to apply sunscreen regularly, even if the weather is a bit gray: Clouds do reduce the amount of UVA and UVB radiation that reaches your skin, but they don't stop the damaging rays completely.

Stay in control

Alcohol is sold at most festivals, but remember that it is a diuretic, and you'll already be dehydrated (not to mention probably not close to a Porta-Potty).

As for drugs, a festival is a party, but don't think that you are in a lawless zone. Even if it sounds tempting, don't try substances that you've never experienced before. "A lot of young people think a festival is the right place to mix alcohol and marijuana, for example, which can end up with them in intensive care if they aren't used to it," Ploix adds.

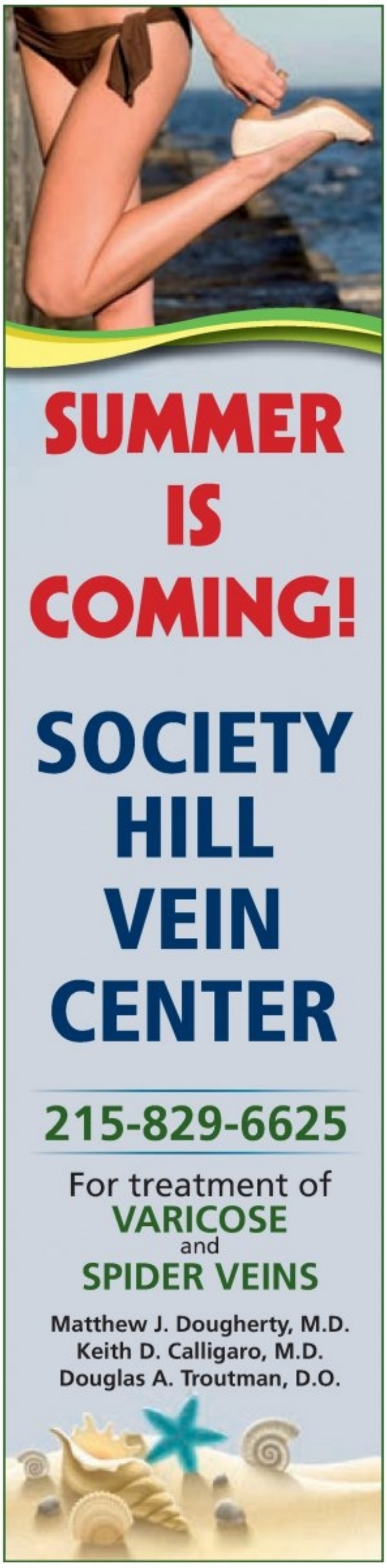
And if you want to be able to enjoy music for the rest of your life, leave a decent distance between you and the speakers, and keep some earplugs in your pocket to avoid severe hearing damage.

Special conditions

The rest of your weekend experience may be carefree, but don't forget about your usual treatments. If you're taking oral contraception or suffering from asthma or any other condition, set a reminder to take your medications. If you are expecting or have another medical condition that could pose a problem during the festival, make yourself known to staff.

For the campers

- **Pick your camping spot carefully**, preferably near a recognizable point (a tree, sign, etc.), so you can find your tent at night. Ladies, keep to busier areas.
- **Carry a flashlight**, keep your phone on and look out for your friends.
- **Learn the site's layout,** particularly your camping area, so you can find toilets and staff without wandering around.



Health notes

Don't drive without drinking

The dangers of drunk driving are well established, but new research out of the U.K. has put the focus on dehydrated driving. In a recent study sponsored by the European Hydration Institute, driving while even mildly dehydrated was comparable to drunk driving.

"The levels of driver errors we found are of a similar magnitude to those found in people with a blood alcohol content of 0.08 percent," study leader Ron Maughan, a professor at Loughborough University, said in a press release.

For the study, researchers recruited male drivers to participate in lab-based driving simulations. When properly hydrated, they reported 47 incidents. However, when the men were only mildly dehydrated, that number rose to over 100 incidents.

Human study confirms pesticide-ADHD link

In yet another study, a commonly used pesticide in the pyrethroid family has been associated with ADHD. "Our study found that children with evidence of pyrethroid pesticide exposure were twice as likely to have ADHD compared to children with undetectable levels," says senior author Dr. Tanya Froehlich.

The study of nearly 700 children between ages 8 and 15 also found that boys were more affected than girls. Pyrethroids are commonly used in the U.S.

Painkillers can be deadly — for others

Suspicions have swirled for years over whether certain prescription medications cause violent behavior. A new study of almost 1,000 people convicted of homicide in Finland suggests that both anti-anxiety drugs and prescription painkillers may increase the odds of deadly behavior.

Antipsychotic drugs were not associated with a notably increased homicide risk while antidepressants were linked to "a slightly elevated" risk. But the same could not be said for painkillers (i.e., Valium) and benzodiazepines (i.e., Xanax).

"Benzodiazepines can weaken impulse control, and earlier research has found that painkillers affect emotional processing," study leader Dr. Jari Tiihonen said in a press release.

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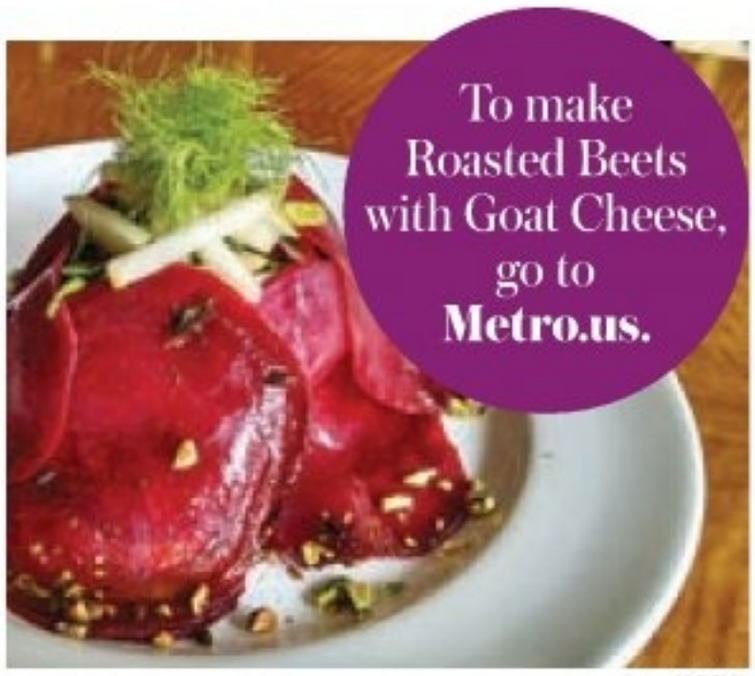

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This beet salad is fresh, seasonal and oh-so-decadent.

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Summer is more or less here, depending on the week. And as great as it's been to change from soups and roasts to lighter fare, most of us need something more than a bowl of lettuce to get by. Spring brought with it a whole new collage of root vegetables, especially beets, that make for an easy transition.

At the new Trattoria Bianca near Penn Station, executive chef Julian Clauss-Ehlers is serving a roasted beet and goat cheese dish that just bursts with freshness. "The creamy texture of the goat cheese complements the earthy flavors of the beets — it's a classic combination!" he tells us.

Beets can be a hard sell, with many home cooks either serving them raw or sugared and pulverized beyond recognition. But Clauss-Ehlers' recipe calls for gently baking the beetroot, which "keeps it tender and helps keep the shape," he explains.

Eat beets now, while they're in season, to get the most flavor out of the heart health-boosting veggie, which also has potassium for your muscles and antioxidants.

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Unless you fulfill your domestic obligations, you will face consequences. Honor your end of the bargain. Put love on a pedestal.

♋ Cancer | June 21-July 22
Start something new. Optimism will get you where you want to go. Nothing can hold you back once you have your mind set.

♌ Leo | July 23-Aug. 22
Developing trends will lead to an increase in your revenue. Prepare now so that you are able to make a smooth transition when the opportunity arises.

♍ Virgo | Aug. 23-Sept. 22
Your charm makes you hard to resist. Social events will lead to romantic possibilities that are likely to tarnish your reputation.

♎ Libra | Sept. 23-Oct. 22
You have a lot on your plate, so get started early. You can complete your projects and still have time at the end of the day.

♏ Scorpio | Oct. 23-Nov. 21
Keep an open mind. There is valuable information to be discovered at social or business events. Listen and learn in order to pick up helpful pointers.

♐ Sagittarius | Nov. 22-Dec. 21
Getting together with people who share similar interests will set the stage for a partnership. Love and romance are highlighted.

♑ Capricorn | Dec. 22-Jan. 20
Give yourself a pat on the back. Your hard work is paying off and your social life is heading upward. Stay on the right track in order to gain respect.

♒ Aquarius | Jan. 21-Feb. 18
You will learn a lot from those around you, but in the end, your instincts will show you the best way to move forward.

♓ Pisces | Feb. 19-March 20
Step outside your comfort zone. Courses are valuable, but journeys to different destinations will play a role as well.

♈ Aries | March 21-April 20
Don't follow when you can be at the helm. Joint ventures will not allow you to shine. Working on your own will bring rewards.

♉ Taurus | April 21-May 21
You can learn a lot if you have a meaningful dialogue with experts. The ideas you share with others will inspire you to start a new project. EUGENIA LAST

Sudoku: Easy and hard

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Letters to the editor

Don't villainize sex work

Re: Don't glorify bad jobs (Metro, June 9) Jobs in the sex industry — including escorting, stripping, webcamming, prostitution and more — are perfectly honorable professions. People working in the sex industry are contributing to society by providing services to people who want them, providing people with companionship, sexual release and an outlet to explore their desires. So many jobs that are glorified by society actually have harmful consequences. For example, people working in the financial sector likely contribute to increasing wealth disparities, and those working in real estate often contribute to raising rent costs. What makes sex work "bad" compared to jobs that are considered more acceptable, despite the negative impact they have on society? Villainizing sex workers just contributes to taboos that keep sex work unregulated and result in unsafe working conditions. Rather than blaming sex workers for engaging in work that pays their bills, we should acknowledge the reality that sex work exists because many people pay sex workers for their services. We need to expand workplace protections to better help and support those working in the sex industry.
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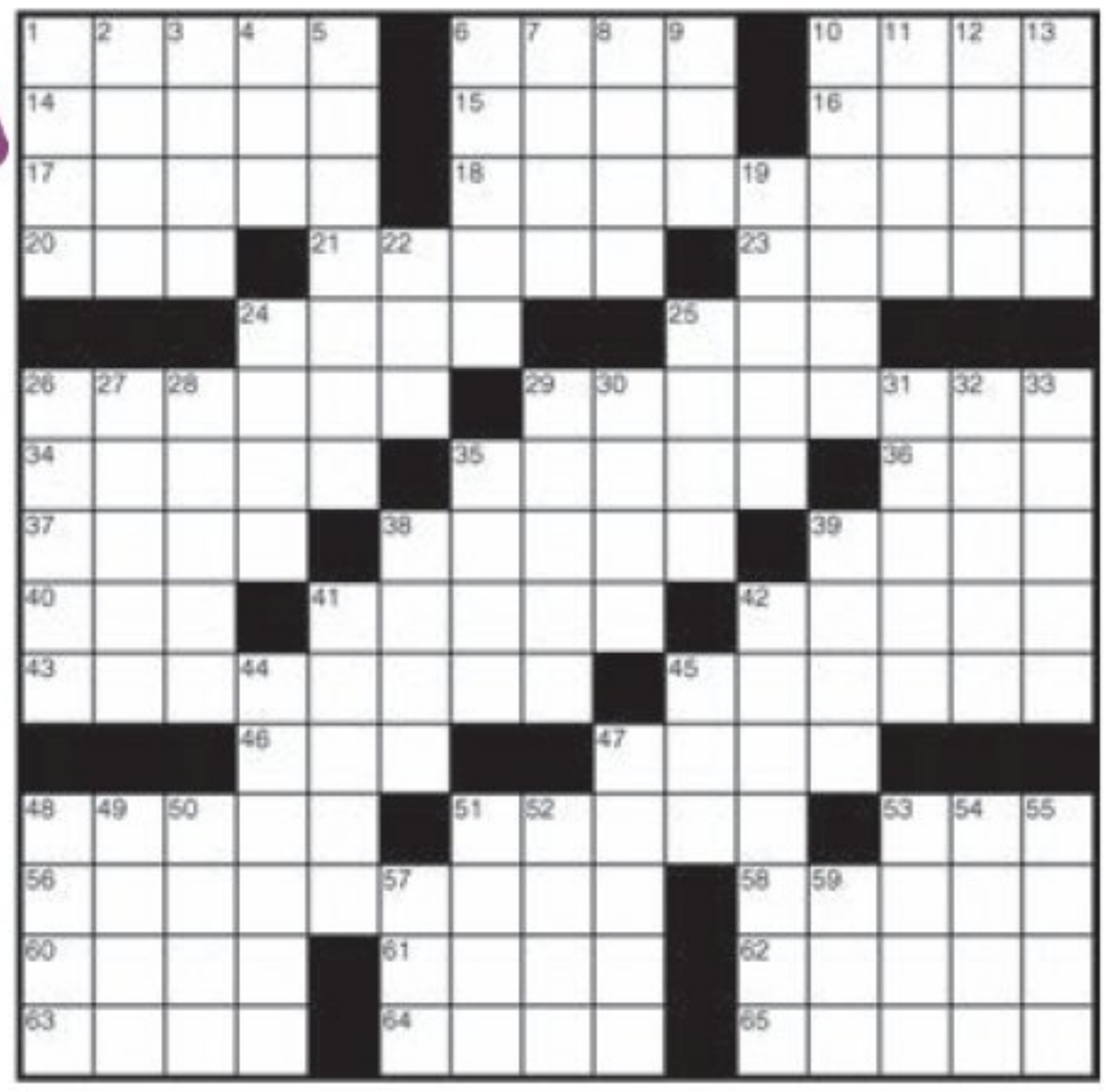

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What ACL? Alonso, Bradford are on the mend

NFL. Both Kiko Alonso and Sam Bradford are making plays already in Eagles OTAs.

The success of the 2015 Eagles hinges on, in large part, how several key players bounce back from injury.

Sam Bradford didn't take snaps during the Birds' full-team drills at OTAs Monday, but he did participate in seven-on-seven drills, at one point flashing his arm strength and accuracy hitting Zach Ertz deep downfield. He is getting better each week, but he is still not 100 percent.

"My body is trying to adjust back to game speed," the quarterback said. "There is only so much you can do when throwing routes on air, but when you're out there actually running plays it forces you to up the tempo."

Bradford, who watched Mark Sanchez get the reps with the Eagles' first-team offense, says his doctors are allowing him to increase his workload by 10 to 15 percent each week.

But even in a limited capacity, Bradford is impressing his teammates.

"The accuracy I have seen so far, it's looking good," linebacker Brandon Graham said.

Last season with the Rams, Bradford tore his ACL in Week 3 against the Browns, putting him a few months behind the recovery of another new Eagle, Kiko Alonso. But both are making plays in practice, knee injury or no.

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"I am excited for him to be in there 24-7 with nothing else holding him back because we are going to need him this year."

Brandon Graham, on Sam Bradford

Will Bradford be healthy enough to start in Week 1? / GETTY IMAGES

"That knee stuff is serious, but it's all in your head too," Graham said. "When it finally heals it's about what your mentality is."

Starting at linebacker alongside Graham will be Alonso, the former Bill who injured his knee during the 2014 offseason. He's close to 100 percent, or if you ask Graham, he might be at 110 percent.

"I think Kiko is going to bee a guy you will see around the ball all the time," Graham said. "That guy doesn't get tired. You wouldn't even think he had a knee injury the way he's moving right now."

Alonso is part of a deep and talented linebacking corps, headlined by DeMeco Ryans and Mychal Kendricks.

"It's always great to work with guys of that caliber," Alonso said of his fellow Eagles linebackers. "Watching those guys, how they work and how they play, it really helps."

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Road trip

Phillies head to Ohio

Will Sunday's win over the Giants help springboard the Phillies to better play? The team certainly hopes so, as it pits its 22-36 record on the road in Cincinnati vs. the lackluster 24-31 Reds in a three-game set. Tuesday night's game is a rematch between Cole Hamels and Mike Leake from last week.

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MACNOW: IS REVERE THE DUMBEST PHILLIE EVER?

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Glen Macnow has been an outspoken voice in Philly sports for nearly three decades.

The play that perfectly sums up Ben Revere's career occurred last Friday night.

With one out in the seventh, Revere tore from first on the pitch and kept going, blissfully unaware that teammate Jeff Francoeur had popped up to short right. When the ball was caught, Revere — who had already passed second — scrambled back, but neglected to retouch second on his journey. And so we saw one of baseball's rarest double plays.

Afterward, Ryne Sandberg suggested Revere may have been ignorant that for the past 158 years, baseball has required runners heading backward to retouch a base. "I don't know that he knew he has to do that," said the fundamentals manager. For his part, Revere insisted he knew the rule.

The mistakes keep piling up for center fielder Revere. / GETTY IMAGES

I'm inclined to agree with Sandberg on this one. After watching Revere for the past three seasons, I've concluded he's the dumbest player I've ever seen in red pinstripes.

He's a speed guy who can't hit the ball on the ground. A top-of-the-order hitter who rarely draws a walk. A fleet fielder who takes the wrong route to fly balls. I know Revere has tried — but failed — to improve his popgun arm. That's no excuse for his habit of throwing away from the cutoff man. That the Phils have tried him in right field this season is a joke.

But wait, you say, look at the stats. Revere has hit above .300 the past two seasons, and stole 71 bases.

Hey, stats lie. Batting average means far less for a player like Revere than on-base percentage. And among the 120 qualifying hitters last season, Revere ranked 81st in OBP at a paltry .325. This year, it's down to .311. The guy has the strike zone awareness of a 9-year-old in the backyard.

I can live with the lack of power — two homers in more than 2,100 at bats. What I can't live with is the lack of a baseball IQ. Nor, presumably, can 29 other major league teams. The Phils have tried to market Revere this season, but found no takers.

Kevin Cooney of Calkins Media wrote a fine story Sunday asking baseball scouts to assess the trade value of several Phillies. Here is what two said about Revere:

Scout 1: "He's at best a fourth outfielder that you could use as a potential pinch-runner. The problem there is that he has terrible baseball instincts and is an awful base-runner."

Scout 2: "I'll pass, thank you. He makes one mistake a night that could kill you."

None of this ever registers with the oblivious Ben, who smiles through it all. He's a nice guy who posts upbeat Twitter messages and, for the longest time, used Pharrell's "Happy" as his walkup music. Asked about his goals before this season he said, "I just want to go out, have fun and play like a little kid again."

Problem is, most little kids play smarter.

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The following self storage units will be sold to the highest bidder to satisfy the owner's lien for rent under 73 P.S. 190 et. Seq. Auction is with reserve. Devon Self Storage reserves the right to set minimum bids and to refuse bids. CASH ONLY. Contents must be removed within 24 hours. "Philip T Cline", Auctioneer PA Lic AU005596.

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#3532-Stephanie Guy • #3312-Sheyla Garcia • #2601-Robin Nock
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Warriors may have been burned by lack of respect

NBA Finals. Golden State took its foot off the pedal after Cleveland's Kyrie Irving went down.

The "greatest of all time" debates will end abruptly if LeBron James can pull this one off.

Hours after his team was left for dead in the 2015 NBA Finals upon hearing the news that second-fiddle Kyrie Irving was done for the rest of the playoffs, James put together a masterful stat line of 39 points, 16 rebounds and 11 assists in a stunning Game 2 overtime victory over the Warriors in Oakland.

The series now shifts to Cleveland for Game 3 Tuesday (9 p.m., ABC) with the Cavs surprisingly holding home court advantage.

Golden State, widely considered one of the top regular-season teams in NBA history given its 67-15 record, saw its odds of winning the championship series triple when it was learned that Irving would need surgery on his broken left kneecap.

Undrafted point guard Matthew Dellavedova had the Warriors in Dellavedenial after Game 2 as Stephen Curry and Shaun Livingston brushed off the defensive impact that the Australian sensation had. When asked if Dellavedova did anything special Sunday night, Curry said, "Nothing really, just besides playing their game plan and playing defense like every pro is supposed to. Not giving up on any possession. … I doubt this will happen again."

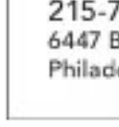
Livingston was even more blunt when asked what kind of impact Dellavedova had defensively.

"Not much," Livingston told CBS. "I'm not saying he's a bad defensive player. But Steph can pretty much get any shot he wants on you and he's made some huge shots in these playoffs. So we're not as worried about that as we are the team offense."

It's difficult to say that the Cavaliers weren't getting respect in the days leading up to Game 1 of the Finals right up to today. Disrespect just doesn't happen when James is on your roster.

But there were more than a few pundits predicting that the series was "over" in the immediate aftermath of the Irving news.

In the end, it will likely come down to James and Curry. If the Warriors can keep James under 35 points, something they weren't able to do in Games 1 or 2, they will likely emerge victorious. If the Cavs can once again do the impossible and keep Curry in check from the floor, they will likely emerge victorious.



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By the numbers

83

LeBron James' 83 points in the first two games of the NBA Finals is the second-most in history behind Jerry West (94 in 1969).

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